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TOMORROW

## Kitty Gordon in "Divine Sacrifice"

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Mark Swain and Polly Moran

In a Mack-Sennett Comedy

## His Naughty Thought

TWO PARTS

## REDS WILL FIGHT, FRANCIS CABLES

Our Ambassador at Petrograd Says They Are Prepared to Defend Capital

ENVOYS ARE READY  
TO LEAVE CITY

Washington Now Realizes That the Russian Break-Up Means a Long War Ahead—Possible Terms of Peace Outlined by Military Experts.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The state department has received a cable message, bearing date of Feb. 18, from David R. Francis, ambassador at Petrograd, which said the council of workmen's and soldiers' delegates was preparing to defend the capital against the Germans, and that the representatives of the allied nations had arranged to leave if the enemy came dangerously near.

Officials here question the truth of some of the press statements concerning conditions in Russia, and incline to attribute them to German influence. One official said that no information had come to show that the Bolsheviks would accept peace.

The situation in Russia has brought home to officials with force, however, the necessity of preparing to wage a long war. It is realized by observers of international affairs that with the German advance into Russia, represented as a series of victories to the German people, the movement for peace in that country will fade and the pan-Germans will continue to control the conduct of the war.

In these circumstances, it is believed, those Germans who still subscribe to the reichstag resolutions of July 19, declaring for peace without annexations or indemnities, will find that popular rejection over the Russian collapse will enable the militarists to do as they please in the way of military operations in Russia. Hindenburg, Ludendorff, and their following are expected to take advantage of the situation to insist that the war go on, with the intention to make it a war of spoils. This, it is contended, will probably revive dropping of German spirits. This will mean that the United States must be prepared to pour men and supplies into France in preparation for the test of strength that is bound to come when

the German occupation of Russia is completed.

From the viewpoint of the allies, it is felt here, the situation caused by the German advance, into Russian territory is as bad as possible and demonstrates that the United States and her partners in the conflict must undertake military arrangements on an even larger scale than ever before with the probability that the war will continue longer than had been expected by many persons in this country.

There is no certainty that the Germans meditate the occupation of Petrograd, but the conviction is growing here that this is their purpose, for political as well as military reasons. Possession of Petrograd, it was asserted, would mean virtually the overthrow of the Bolshevik authority, as that city is the centre of the Maximalist power and the seat of government. With the city in the hands of the Germans the Bolshevik authority would probably be unable to maintain a hold upon military or civil functions.

Petrograd in the hands of the Germans, in the opinion of some authorities, would enable them to set up a government under German protection, and this government might be composed of members of the imperial family, if the deposed czar were beyond the reach of the invaders.

The German advance into Russia is expected to operate to prevent the continuance of the shipping of relief supplies, for the present at least, from the United States to Kola for distribution in European Russia. Likewise, the continued sending of provisions from this country to Rumania is threatened.

Some military experts said that the further the German lines penetrated into Russia the greater would be the number of troops required to maintain them, as the advance necessitated a widening of the front, and without being strengthened they would become so attenuated as to be dangerous for the Germans themselves. One officer, seeing the political possibilities resulting from the seemingly complete collapse of Russia, said:

"It would not be surprising if Germany soon will express a willingness to conclude peace on terms that she would make it appear to be to the interests of the allies to accept, provided Germany be given carte blanche to treat with Russia as she pleases. Peace on such a basis, though, would leave Germany very much stronger than she was at the commencement of the war, and a greater menace than ever both to the peace and to the free institutions of the world."

"Such a peace would empower Germany to annex, first, the Baltic provinces, which would restrict Russia's international communications more than at any time since Peter the Great, and plant the seeds of fresh discord between the maritime powers. Such a peace would drive to the very borders of Europe and leave her an Asiatic rather than a European nation."

"It would also make the Scandinavian countries economic dependents of Germany, because of the master's Germany would directly acquire of the Baltic and the channels to the North sea. And, of course, the route to the east to the Balkans and via Turkey would not be interfered with in the least. The allies and America never could assert a peace involving such great dangers to the future peace of the world."

A condition of this sort would mean that the allies would be obliged to make greater military endeavors to bring about German defeat.

## PERSHING CALLS FOR SHOES.

Wants 1,000,000 Pairs More to Build Up Reserve Supply in France.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Although the war department has on hand and contracted for a total of 15,437,000 pairs of shoes, Secretary Baker says more than 1,000,000 pairs will have to be secured for the army this year. This is made necessary by building up adequate stocks of reserves, both in France and in this country.

General Pershing has requested shipments of 18,500 pairs of shoes for each 25,000 men monthly, or approximately nine pairs of shoes per man annually. This is in excess of actual consumption.

For troops in this country after the initial issue of 100 per cent, 15 per cent per month is required for upkeep, and 72 per cent as a reserve stock. At the embarkation concentration camps 150 per cent is the ratio for equipping a given number of men, with 325 per cent as the ratio for reserve stock. In France the upkeep is placed at 75 per cent for a given number of troops with 75 per cent for the reserve supply.

## His Punishment.

An angel, died and went to his "right place," which, of course, was also the residence of his good friend Baron Munchausen. Oodles of time skittered along, and one day as the Big Boss was going by the angel said: Please, your satanic majesty, can't I try my luck somewhere else? I've been fishing from this blasted place for 200 years and I haven't had a bite.

"That's the hell of it," exploded the Big Boss, and passed on.—Boston Transcript.

## PERSHING FINDS ARMY IMPROVED

Inspection Shows Americans in France Have Been Making Steady Progress

GENERAL SURE OF  
ULTIMATE VICTORY

Manner in Which Young American Soldiers Have Come Across Seas and Settled Down to Task of Learning War Is Remarkable.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Feb. 25.—General Pershing has returned to his desk at great headquarters after his inspection tour of the American front. He keeps in good health, which is remarkable, considering the tremendous amount of work he gets through daily. From morning till night numbers of officers arrive from various division headquarters with dispatches demanding his attention, and in addition to hundreds of cables, telegrams, and letters which he has to read he dictates and signs replies.

The commander in chief is optimistic in regard to the war and firm in his belief that it will end favorably for the allies. The American army is making steady progress daily and by midsummer ought to be in a position to give material aid to our allies. Shipment of men, supplies, and equipment shows an increase and will improve more rapidly when the coal crisis in America is over and ships can sail regularly without being subject to delay.

The air service has not made the progress expected on account of delay in carrying out contracts for construction of airplanes. The personnel could not be better. By June it is expected the air service will be able to show satisfactory results.

An American air service officer said that the delivery of a number of French, British, and Italian airplanes was expected soon. There are plenty of American fliers here, but not one trained machine gun fighter. There are no American machines in the air at the front so far. Fliers have gone out over the German lines in French machines as observers.

There has been considerable improvement in the troops in the trenches since General Pershing's first visit four weeks ago. Then the soldiers had just gone in and were rather green to their duties on the front, as it was their first glimpse of war at close range. Now they have become more accustomed to routine life in the trenches. Tricks played by the Germans at night do not startle them, as they understand the game better.

The American army in France in point of discipline, morale, sobriety, and attention to duty is good. The manner in which young American soldiers have come across the sea and settled down to the task of learning war is remarkable. They all look the picture of health and go about their work in a steady, determined, soldierly manner that has won the admiration of French civilians who come in contact with them, as well as military officials. Nobody understands whence the person who made the statement in America accusing our soldiers of drinking and bad conduct obtained his information. They could not have had any foundation whatever upon which such charges could be based.

Intelligence officers say they cannot permit designation of troops in the trenches to be given out, because that would be valuable information to the Germans. To learn what troops are in front of them the Germans have to send out raiders and sacrifice a number of men in an effort to capture prisoners. The American army has to do the same. Prisoners of war generally reply to questions put by their captors to save their lives.

Later, when all divisions are in the trenches, the states from which troops come will be given out after engagement but no details as to whether they are regulars, National Guard, or national army, as it is the intention that the force in France shall be known only as the American army.

The Japanese language is now being taught in the university and high schools of New South Wales on the same basis as French and German.

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## REVOLUTIONARY

SIGNS IN GERMANY

Socialist Deputy Causes Uproar in Reichstag—Campaign for a New General Strike.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 25.—There are numerous indications in Germany of a very systematic campaign to promote a new general strike, says a Berlin despatch to the Weser Zeitung of Bremen.

A revolution in Germany was predicted by Dr. Cohn, independent Socialist deputy, in an address to the reichstag on Friday, the Volks Zeitung of Cologne says. Dr. Cohn's address, made during the debate on the peace treaty with Ukraine, threw the reichstag into an uproar.

"It is not correct to say that the people of Russia's Baltic provinces are longing for German rule," he declared. "The treaty with Ukraine is not the first step toward general peace. I see the day coming when revolution will reach Germany and the people will

take the fate of their rulers in their own hands."

The independent Socialists cheered the speaker. From other parts of the house came shouts of "Traitor!"

The German papers comment on the relations between Germany and Austria in connection with the Ukrainian treaty with the praise bestowed on Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister. The paper tries to discover the motives of the Vienna official news agency in publishing the Polish manifesto reflecting upon Germany which has given great offense, and comes to the conclusion that the Austrian censorship by its attitude all along has failed to show appreciation of Germany's interests, adding:

"It is in time that we point out most emphatically how such incidents are endangering the friendly relations between the two countries."

The Hamburger Nachrichten says: "The present attitude of certain Austrian newspapers is decidedly not calculated to make the feeling in Germany toward Austria any more friendly."

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## BRAVE ACTS IN THE NAVY.

Reservist and Seaman Win Coveted Medals of Honor.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Details of the acts of bravery for which Seaman Tedford H. Cann, naval reserve force, and Seaman Ora Graves, United States navy, have been awarded the navy's much-prized medal of honor and gratuity of \$100 each were made public Saturday night by Secretary Daniels in a general order to the service. Cann, a well-known New York athlete, 500-yard swimming champion of America, and son of the physical director of New York university, is the first reservist ever to win the medal. When the United States steamship May was almost swamped by a leak last November, Cann volunteered to enter the bilge, flooded with eight feet of water, to close the opening in a pipe connection to the sea, returned to the hatch for pieces of cork, and, going back into the bilge water, stopped the leak, saving the ship.

Graves remained in a casedment of the cruiser Pittsfield in South American waters last July to remove powder and burning waste after the explosion of a three-inch saluting charge mixed with empty shells had killed one shipmate, seriously wounded another and had for a time stunned Graves. Besides the loose powder, a number of saluting shells were threatened by the fire that followed the explosion. Graves enlisted at San Francisco and his mother lives at Maxwell, N. M.

## AMUSEMENTS.

Motion Picture Attractions.

George Walsh in the William Fox special feature, The Yankee Way, a comedy-drama, and the Ford Educational are the attractions at the Empire today. This theatre will be open tomorrow, "Violet Mersereau in the Bluebird feature, The Ragged Queen, and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew in a comedy will be the attractions.

The attraction today at the Princess theatre is Mae Marsh in Sunshine Alley, from the story by Mary Rider, being the same star and same company that produced Polly of the Circus, and will appeal especially to every lover of birds and animals. Tomorrow Kitty Gordon will appear in The Divine Sacrifice, also Mark Swain and Polly Moran in The Scout's two-part comedy, His Naughty Thought.

## HANK AND PETE

GOSH, THAT'S FUNNY—A FRIEND OF MINE TOLD ME I GOT STOUTER SINCE I JOINED THE FORCE—AND THIS SCALE SHOWS I'VE LOST 3 POUNDS!!

HUH, I CAN TELL YOU'RE WORKIN' HARD THESE DAYS HANK—YOU'RE GETTIN' SO THIN THAT YOU'D FALL THROUGH YER COLLAR IF IT WUSN'T FOR YOUR EARS!

GOWAN, YOU'RE CRAZY—I LET JONNY FULLER TALK ME INTO IT—HE SAYS I GOT FAT!

WELL, IT'S ONLY NATURAL HE SHOULD SAY THAT!

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